



## **CHAPTER INTERNSHIPS**

*AAJA-MN newspaper, TV or radio internship*

15-20 hours per week for 7-8 weeks, with a \$1,500 stipend. If at the Star Tribune or the Pioneer Press, a \$5 voluntary Minnesota Newspaper Guild membership fee is suggested.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicant must be an AAJA (Minnesota chapter) student member, or register to become a member before beginning internship. Applicants must be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled full time or recently graduated (within one year). Applicants must be currently taking or planning to take journalism courses and/or are pursuing journalism as a career. Graduating seniors must begin their internships within three months of commencement.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Candidates will be selected on the basis of academic achievement, demonstrated journalistic ability, commitment to the field of journalism and sensitivity to Asian American and Pacific Islander issues, as demonstrated by community involvement.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

Submit one (1) copy of each of the following items.

- 1) Completed application form
- 2) Resume
- 3) A letter of recommendation: This can be from a former editor or from a journalism professor.
- 4) Short essay: The essay should not exceed 500 words, must be typed and double-spaced. Describe any involvement or interest you have in the Asian American community. If you were awarded an AAJA scholarship or internship, propose how you would contribute to the field of journalism or media issues involving the Asian American and Pacific Islander community.
- 5) Please provide four (4) work samples (they may be hard copies or URLs). We are unable to return any clips.
- 6) Mail or drop off completed, signed application plus materials in one envelope to:

Nancy Yang  
MPR News  
480 Cedar St.  
St. Paul, MN 55101

Or, email a complete package to [nyang@mpr.org](mailto:nyang@mpr.org)

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Current year in school \_\_\_\_\_

Expected date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Current or intended area of focus:

- Print
- Broadcast
- Online
- Photojournalism

Coverage preference:

- News
- Feature
- Business
- Sports
- Online/Visual

## VERIFICATION

I affirm that the information included with my application is true and accurate in all respects.

I acknowledge that, as a condition of receiving any funds, I will dedicate my volunteer time to a minimum of **one (1)** AAJA-MN event. I will return the full amount of the internship stipend if I fail to do so. I must also return the full amount of the stipend if I fail to complete my internship.

By signing this application, I agree to the terms listed herein. Failure to follow the terms will render me ineligible for future local chapter grants or internships.

I acknowledge that this is a binding contract and that I must return the stipend in full if I fail to honor this agreement.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_